

With the Internet, the ability to "tap" into communications is difficult. It places an unfair onus on service providers for very little benefit, past a "big brother" ability. This is due to the physical construction of Internet communications. Independent enterprise should not be a legal enforcer. We already have laws that require the disclosure of records, etc. There is no need to expand the reach of the observational capabilities. Not to mention the fact that if there are any exemptions, such as outlined in paragraph 16 of the document, then that effectively undermines any impact this bill may have. If someone wishes to hide from the observation, they simply need to do their communications through a "mom & pop" ISP that isn't beholden to the rules, easily done through dial-up internet access from virtually anywhere. I would suggest a more critical eye be turned on this document, and a focus on enforcing the laws already on the books, rather than continually posturing with new bills that do nothing but harm legitimate citizens and consumers, and place naught but a minor roadblock in the way of true criminals.